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April 9, 2004

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the [X] Utility [] Design [X] nonprovisional [] provisional patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: Takeshi HAMADA

See Inventor Information Sheet attached

For: **CONNECTING STRUCTURE FOR PIPING MEMBERS**

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- This is a new patent application.
- This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.
- This is a provisional patent application.
- This is a: Continuation Application
 Divisional Application
 Continuation-in-Part Application
of prior Application Serial No. __.

Cancel in this application original claims ___ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
-- This is a Continuation, Divisional, Continuation-in-part, of Application

Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING:		
X	10	Sheets of drawings ([x] formal <input type="checkbox"/> informal size A4).
X	25	Pages of specification including abstract and claims.
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PRIORITY CLAIMS	
	Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119.
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[] Search Fee Utility	—			\$500	
[] Exam. Fee Utility	—			\$200	
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Multiple Dependent Claim Fee	—			\$360	\$360
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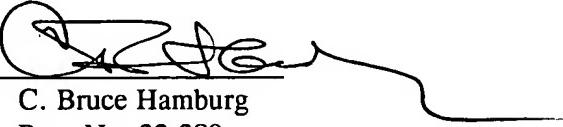
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